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FROM:

Director of Information Services

SUBJECT:

Acquisition of Commercial Parking in Rosslyn

REFERENCE:

Memorandum, Same Subject, 8 September 1986 (DDA 86-1547)

1. Action Requested: The Office of Information Services (OIS) requests approval for the allocation of ______ of OIS funds for subsidizing the acquisition of _____ parking spaces in the Rosslyn area for our personnel.

- 2. Background: Additional parking space is needed in order to avoid a significant impairment of our ability to carry out our mandated activities. The shortage of government-provided parking has had serious repercussions in filling our vacancies and retaining employees. The basis of our request is not dissimilar to the argument set forth in the reference, particularly paragraph 3. This is especially true in our case when one considers our grade structure. Because of the acute Agency parking space shortage, our employees can expect to wait a minimum of 18 months for government-provided parking. Given our middle to low grade structure, the cost of private parking becomes prohibitive to most employees and places an unnecessary financial burden on them to work in Rosslyn. It is as if they had taken a reduction in pay equivalent to one full grade or more.
- 3. We, like other Agency components, are finding parking to be a major obstacle in retaining and assigning personnel to the Rosslyn area. We face a situation similar to that expressed in paragraph 4 of the reference. For example, we know of two specific instances in which employees declined positions because parking could not be provided. It is not unlikely to assume that many persons scanning the Agency vacancy notices have nected, out-of-hand, our post ons in Rosslyn because parking cannot assured.
- 4. Summary While we patiently await rong-promised parking reallocation at the Ames building, the ultimate solution to our parking needs can only come with the acquisition of more commercial, parking spaces. This can be accomplished by your favorable consideration of our request.

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APPROVED:

s William F. Donnelly

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to determine if it had the desired effect, and (b) that the requesting organization pay for the parking acquired by this action.